

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

JONATHON MAYNES,

Plaintiff

Case No. 2:25-cv-01259-RFB-MDC

ORDER

v.

RENAN SAINTPREUX, et al.,

Defendants

On July 14, 2025, pro se plaintiff Jonathon Maynes, an inmate in the custody of the Nevada Department of Corrections, submitted a complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (ECF No. 1-1). Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is incomplete because Plaintiff did not include a completed financial certificate and an inmate trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period with the application. The Court will deny Plaintiff's application without prejudice and give Plaintiff the opportunity to correct these deficiencies **by September 22, 2025**.

I. DISCUSSION

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada must collect filing fees from parties initiating civil actions. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). As of December 1, 2023, the fee for filing a civil-rights action is \$405, which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$55 administrative fee. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(b). "Any person who is unable to prepay the fees in a civil case may apply to the court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*." Nev. Loc. R. Prac. LSR 1-1. For an inmate to apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit **all three** of the following documents to the Court: (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate**, which is pages 1–3 of the Court's approved form, that is properly signed by the inmate twice on page 3; (2) a completed **Financial Certificate**, which is page 4 of the Court's approved form, that is properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official; and (3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month**

1 **period.** See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1)–(2); Nev. Loc. R. Prac. LSR 1-2. *In forma pauperis*
2 status does not relieve an inmate of his or her obligation to pay the filing fee, it just means
3 that the inmate can pay the fee in installments. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b).

4 **II. CONCLUSION**

5 It is therefore ordered that the application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (ECF No. 1)
6 is denied without prejudice.

7 It is further ordered that Plaintiff has **until September 22, 2025**, to either pay the
8 full \$405 filing fee or file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all
9 three of the following required documents:

10 (i) a completed application with the inmate's two signatures on page 3,

11 (ii) a completed financial certificate that is signed both by the inmate and
12 the prison or jail official, and

13 (iii) a copy of the inmate's trust fund account statement for the previous six-
14 month period.

15 Plaintiff is cautioned that this action will be subject to dismissal without prejudice if
16 Plaintiff fails to timely comply with this order. A dismissal without prejudice allows Plaintiff
17 to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff can file a
18 complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pay the required filing fee.

19 The Clerk of the Court is directed to send Plaintiff this Court's approved form
20 application to proceed *in forma pauperis* for an inmate with instructions.

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22 DATED: July 22, 2025

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26 Hon. Maximiliano D. Couvillier III
27 United States Magistrate Judge
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